

THE PURIM BALL

Given by the Hebrew Ladies Society was a Complete Success.

THE ATTENDANCE WAS VERY LARGE

And the Proceeds, Likewise Large, Will Go to the "Sweet Charity" Fund of the Society—The Children Were Very Much in Evidence—The Decorations Were Pretty and a Feature of the Affair.

ONE of the most brilliant social events of the season now about at an end was the "Purim Ball" given last night at the Mercantile club rooms, on Main street, by the Hebrew people of the city, under the auspices of the Hebrew Ladies Benevolent Society. This organization has in the past figured conspicuously in affairs of a social character for the benefit of the needy of the community, and last night's function was given with the same benevolent and charitable intention.

The attendance was very large, as large in fact as has characterized any social event for some time past and the proceeds, which will be expended by the society, amounted to no inconsiderable sum. Like most of the Hebrew entertainments, this one was remarkable for the fact that the little ones were not left behind to the cold mercies of the nurse, but figured largely in the evening's pleasures.

The festivities began about 8 o'clock, when the rooms, that had been prettily decorated for the occasion, were crowded with an animated throng. Much time and ingenuity and labor were expended on the decorations, in which pink prevailed. The large dining room was a revelation in pink, with masses of potted plants, giving the whole a semi-tropical appearance.

The children, in their fantastic masquerade costumes, took possession of the dancing floor at 8 o'clock, and to the music of the Opera House orchestra danced through an eight-dance programme with an enjoyment that was refreshing to observe. At 10 o'clock the children took supper and each was presented with a handsome and valuable souvenir of the occasion.

At 11 o'clock the other guests held sway on the dancing floor and at midnight supper was served. The dancing was then resumed and continued until an early hour this morning.

Credit is due the committees that had charge of the ball, as follows:

Arrangements—Mrs. Morris Horkheimer, chairman; Mrs. Henry Baer, Mrs. Henry Speyer, Mrs. Isadore Isenberg, Mrs. E. Buckman, Mrs. Emanuel Emsheimer, Mrs. B. A. Bonheim, Mrs. John Emsheimer, Mrs. Ralph Kline, Mrs. A. D. Adler, Mrs. A. M. Rice, and Misses Mollie Baer, Hattie Reed, Flora Kraus, Jennie Emsheimer, Ella Steinfield, Millie and Pearl Stein, Cora Gutman, Celia Speyer and Carrie Gutman.

Dancing committee—E. Buckman, chairman; J. Milton Gutman, Gabe S. Emsheimer, David Kraus, Ben F. Horkheimer, Louis Gundling and Maurice Steinfield.

WESTINGHOUSE WINS.

An Important Patent Suit Decided in the United States District Court at Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 11.—Judge Morris, of the United States district court, handed down his long looked for decision to-day in the patent suit of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, of Pittsburgh, against the Boyden Power Brake Company, of Baltimore. The suit was brought to secure an order restraining the Boyden company from an alleged infringement of a patent for quick action air brakes. Judge Morris decides in favor of the Westinghouse company, except in some minor details.

A vast amount of money is said to be involved in the suit. The Boyden company is understood to have spent over a quarter of a million dollars in developing its brakes, which are used on some fifty or sixty railroads.

ALL WAS PEACEFUL.

Reported Rapture Between United States Minister Smith and President Hereaux Denied.

New York, March 11.—The steamer Alvina arrived this afternoon from Haytian ports, having left Port au Prince March 5. One of the Alvina's passengers stated that all was peaceful at the time of leaving the capital. President Hippolyte and his staff were about to start on a tour of inspection through the interior.

In relation to the reported rapture between United States Minister Smith and President Hereaux, of San Domingo, as recently published in a New York paper, one of the Alvina's passengers stated the report had no foundation in fact. Mr. Smith and the president's relations were of the most cordial nature.

Massachusetts Legislators in the South.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 11.—A committee from the Massachusetts general assembly, composed of two senators and eight representatives, have arrived in Atlanta for the purpose of investigating the industrial situation in the south and inquiring into the special inducements held out by the laws of the state of Georgia, making it more profitable for the New England committee on mills to do business in this section.

The committee will make a thorough investigation of the local cotton mills, their purpose being to make a special report to the legislature.

Stupa's Murderer Sentenced.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 11.—Mustapha, the Turkish soldier, who, while intoxicated, recently ran amuck through the streets of this city, killing Mr. Stupa, an American, director of the Metropolitan railroad of this city, and also killing a Turkish official and a railroad employe, as well as wounding ten other persons, was found guilty of murder to-day and sentenced to death.

The widow of Mr. Stupa, it will be recalled, was recently granted a life pension by the Turkish government.

Death in a Dog-out.

GUTHRIE, O. T., March 11.—Near Woodward, a dog-out occupied by Charles Thomas and family, caved in last night, crushing Mrs. Thomas to death and fatally injuring her mother.

Noted Abolitionist Dead.

CHICAGO, March 11.—James Temple, the veteran abolitionist, died last night, aged seventy years.

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

The Admission of Women to Conference Discussed—Mission Work.

BALTIMORE, March 11.—At the forenoon session of the Baltimore Methodist conference reports were made on a question known as the "Hamilton amendment," which was submitted by the last general conference for the churches to vote on. It looks to the admission of women to the general conference, but is a thing of complicated structure.

Out of five districts in the Baltimore conference only two voted on it at all. Five churches voted in the Frederick district with the result of twenty-one for and forty against the admission of women. Thirteen churches in the Washington district voted with the result of 123 for and 211 against the admission of women.

The Rev. Dr. C. Herbert Richardson submitted another amendment to the constitution of the church this morning providing for the admission of women to the general conference. The amendment will be voted on to-morrow.

Women also figured in the conference proceedings in a report of the deaconesses' work. This is comparatively a new feature of Methodism and corresponds to the sisters of the Catholic church. Work is carried on in Washington and Baltimore. At the Baltimore home on West street \$1,535 was received during the year in contributions for the support of the deaconesses. The Baltimore deaconesses sustain four industrial schools.

Bishop I. V. Joyce spoke a few words on the general work of deaconesses over the country. He said the demand could not be supplied and that their work had been productive of the highest good.

Chaplain McCabe, missionary secretary of the church, announced he was endeavoring to raise "a million and a half for missions." He said the million dollar line had been passed in 1887, and since then the church had grown 600,000 members, and it was fitting to increase also the missionary collections. He presented also the need of more money for a great Methodist building now being constructed in Rome.

Rev. C. H. Herbert Richardson presented the report of the committee on sustentation, which was adopted. It reported favorably on a plan suggested last year, to charge preachers one-half of one percent of the salaries paid them for the support of weak churches. When a church is too poor to pay a preacher the sustentation comes to the rescue and contributes enough to make \$400 for a single and \$500 for a married man.

Memorial service was then held for Rev. Thomas Myers, Rev. J. W. Cornelius, Rev. W. T. D. Clemm and Rev. Littleton F. Morgan.

KOREA'S INDEPENDENCE.

Points in the Peace Conference Settled. Chinese Try Their Sprinting Powers Again.

LONDON, March 11.—A dispatch to the Times from Peking, which will be published to-morrow, says that the Chinese government, through the United States ministers, Messrs. Denby and Edwin Dunn, have already agreed upon the points in the peace conference regarding the independence of Korea, the cession of territory and money indemnity, the amount to be agreed upon by the envoys. The dispatch adds that no imperial edict relating to the war will be published for a month and there will be no published reference to the peace mission, as the foreign office unwillingly yielded its policy to that of the war department in order to bring about harmony. It is expected that the agreement will be signed at an early date.

A Shanghai despatch says that a Chinese force of 7,000 men, supported by thirty guns, was attacked by the Japanese at Denshotai on Saturday last. General Katamura commanded the center division of the Japanese army which fought bravely. General Oku was in command of the right wing of the troops. The left wing was composed of Yamagata's soldiers from Kai Ping. The attack was successful and in two hours the Chinese fled towards Chin Chow, losing several hundred men. The Japanese loss was ten killed. After burning Denshotai for strategic reasons, the Japanese recrossed the Liao.

THE SHOE STRIKE.

The Strikers Claim It is a Victory in Many Ways—Few Reinstatements.

Haverhill, Mass., March 11.—In consequence of the vote of the strikers yesterday to declare the big shoe strike off, there were crowds before the door of every factory long before the time for opening to-day.

More than 500 of the 700 strikers applied for their old positions, but up to noon only about 100 had been reinstated and the majority of these were female operatives and machine stitchers. Most of those were taken back at the factories of Chick Brothers and Gale Brothers. The other firms received but few of their old employees. It is evident that at least 200 of the strikers will have to leave town to secure employment. Most of these will be foreigners. Agent Pomeroy, of the strikers, said to-day that he regards the strike a victory for the strikers in several ways.

Juvenile Female Offenders Revolt.

CHICAGO, March 11.—The girl inmates of the state home for juvenile offenders were again in revolt to-day. The police were forced to interfere and the inmates were taken to the nearest station. They claim they have been treated so rigorously by the managers of the institution that they could not stand it.

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MONTHLY CROP REPORT.

The Department of Agriculture Figures on the Visible Supply of Grain and Prospects.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The crop report of the department of agriculture for the month of March consists principally of estimates of the distribution of corn and wheat, the stock remaining in the hands of the farmers, and the proportions of merchantable and unmerchantable. The report is based on county estimates of the percentage of last year's product remaining in first hands. Obvious errors and inconsistencies of statement being corrected and differences harmonized, all grains in the hands of farmers including amounts remaining over from previous years are embraced in the estimates given.

The corn on hand as estimated aggregates 475,564,450 bushels, or 39.2 per cent of the last crop. This proportion has been exceeded but four times in the last ten years, the quantity, however, an unprecedentedly small one. The consumption of corn for eight months is an unusually small one, which fact is explained by the large amounts of wheat fed to stock. The aggregate sold from farms to go beyond county boundaries is 162,934,440, or 13.4 per cent of the crop. The proportion merchantable is 999,400,600 or 82.4 per cent. The values returned for merchantable corn average 44.8c, for unmerchantable 28.6c, making an aggregate value of \$508,713,120, which is \$46,000,000 less than the December valuation of the crop and averages 41.9c per bushel.

The estimated amount of wheat in farmers' hands is 75,000,000 bushels, or 16.3 per cent of the last crop, and 39,000,000 bushels less than last March. The explanation of this in large measure is to be found in the fact that large quantities have been fed to hogs and other stock. Returns from North and South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas indicate unprecedented exhaustion of last year's crop, correspondents reporting not enough on hand for spring seed and necessary food supply.

Will be Uncle and Father.

CHICAGO, March 11.—A marriage license was issued to-day to Otto Croll, who announced the name of his prospective bride as Mrs. Annie Croll, and said she was the widow of his brother. The latter is supposed to have been among the passengers who perished upon the Elba a month ago. Mr. Croll will become the father of three of his nephews and nieces by the wedding. Mrs. Croll keeps a small grocery. She is young looking, sprightly and rather comely.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats. The River Interests.

YESTERDAY'S DEPARTURES. Liberty, Booth, Cincinnati, 5:30 p. m. Ben Hur, Kemple, Parkersburg, 6 p. m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY. Hudson, Anson, Pittsburgh, 7 a. m. Keystone State, Calhoun, Cincinnati, 8 a. m.

Lexington, Cline, Marietta, 10:30 a. m. Courier, Gamble, Parkersburg, 10:30 a. m. Liberty, Booth, Cincinnati, 3:30 p. m. J. K. Bedford, Green, Pittsburgh, 8 a. m.

The marks showed 11 feet 10 inches and stationary last evening at 6 o'clock. Weather warm and cloudy.

Shortly before 12 o'clock last night the steamer Andes, owned by the Pittsburgh & Cincinnati packet company, caught fire in some mysterious manner and in a short time was totally destroyed. The boat had been moored at the Water street wharf, but last week was moved down into the Ohio river at the end of the Ohio connecting bridge in order to escape the ice clogs. The location of the boat was such that it was not within reach of the engine companies, and when the fire broke out there was no way of fighting it except by hand, and this proved to have but little effect. The burned boat was comparatively a new one, was valued at about \$10,000 and is covered by insurance. The boat was about to be removed to St. Louis and used as an excursion boat. Negotiations to that end were about closed.—Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette.

THE MARKS ABOVE.

Morgantown—River 8 feet 3 inches and stationary. Weather cloudy and warm.

Greensboro—River 9 feet 10 inches and stationary. Weather cooler with light snow. The Germania is due up and down Tuesday.

Warren—River 2 feet 5 inches and falling. Weather cloudy and mild.

Oil City—River 2 feet 11 inches and falling. Weather cloudy and mild.

Staubenville—River 11 feet 10 inches and falling. Weather cool with light snow.

Pittsburgh—River 8 feet and falling; weather cloudy and cool.

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